

REMARKS

Claims 1-58 are pending and under consideration. In the non-final Office Action of October 5, 2007, the Examiner rejected claims 1-58 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by *England* (U.S. 6,144,991). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection and address the Examiner's disposition below. Claims 1, 10, 20, 29, 39, 48, and 53 have been amended.

Independent claims 1, 10, 12, 20, 29, 31, 39, 48, 50, and 53 each claim subject matter relating to asynchronously performing an operation or a user interacting with an interactive element.

This is clearly unlike *England*, which fails to disclose or suggest an interactive element that on which an operation is performed asynchronously or with which a user is interacts asynchronously. *England* teaches a system in which a guide can record an instructional session for later playback to clients. *England*, Abstract. Nowhere does *England* teach or suggest that its played back session is an interactive presentation having interactive elements that a user interacts with during playback of the interactive presentation. Instead, *England* merely describes a fixed presentation, which can be played back at a later time, and which is not interactive. *England's* user can merely start, stop, seek, loop, or delete the session. *England* 22:39-42. *England's* played back session does not include interactive elements that a user interacts with during playback of the presentation.

Therefore, *England* fails to disclose or suggest claims 1, 10, 12, 20, 29, 31, 39, 48, 50, and 53.

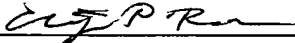
Claims 2-9, 11, 13-19, 21-28, 30, 32-38, 40-47, 49, 51, and 52 depend directly or indirectly from claims 1, 10, 12, 20, 29, 31, 39, 48, 50, or 53 and are therefore allowable for at least the same reasons that claims 1, 10, 12, 20, 29, 31, 39, 48, 50, and 53 are allowable.

Applicants respectfully submit the rejection has been overcome and request that it be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1-53 are patentable. It is therefore submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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